#### THE PETITION GRANTED.

THE RICHMOND AND PETERSBURG RAILROAD WILL BE ALLOWED

To Run Its Tracks and Erect Warehouse in Manchester-Work of the Board of Trade-Personals.

MANCHISTER BEREAU RICHMOND TIMES, |
No. 1121 HULL, STREET. BEATTE BLOCK, |
The Manchester City Council held a
well-attended special meeting last night
for the purpose of considering several
ordinances in regard to decises on vehicles, dogs, and goats, and also in regard
to sewers, which were prepared by the
Ordinance Committee, and laid over from
the last meeting.

regard to the levying of taxes to pay the interest on the sewer bonds was taken up, but its consideration was postapened until next Friday night, when the Council will hold another meeting. The discussion of this ordinance was somewhat warm, and grow a little personal before the above-mentioned postponement was egreed to The Auditor was instructed to have twenty-five copies of the ordinance printed in order that all might be thoroughly informed regarding it.

The petition of the Richmend and Petersburg railroad to be allowed to ran tracks across Semmes streets between Eighth and Ninth with a view of creeding warehouses at that point, was next taken

Eighth and Ninth with a view of erecting warehouses at that point, was next taken up, and Judge Ciopton read an ordinance which he had prepared allowing the railread the privilege asked. The ordinance was considered at length by the Council, and an amendment offered by Mr. Green, providing that work be commenced in sixty days and completed in six months, was adopted.

All property-owners interested in the matter were then offered the privilege of the floor, and Mr. J. H. Godsey, in a short speech, declared that he would be considerably damaged by the erection of warehouses and laying of tracks. A strong protest was also entered against the proposed work by Mr. B. A. Albright, who was under the impression that he would be ruined by it. A vote was then taken upon the ordinance, and it was unanimously adopted.

The Council then adjourned, to meet gain next Friday night at 8 o'clock. The Manchester Cotilion Club gave an enjoyable german last night at Leader Hall. A number of Richmond people were in attendance, and a merry evening was

Monday night the Masonic bazaar, nothe of which has been given before, will begin at the Masonie Temple, corner of Hull street and Cowardin avenue. Car-penters are now busily at work arrang-ing booths, and as soon as they finish the ladies will begin decorating, and soon the large temple will present a beautiful scene. The bazaar will last for ten days. A new programme will be rendered each night, and much success is anticipated. OFFICERS ELECTED.

A business meeting of the Epworth League of Asbury chapel was held Thurs-day evening for the purpose of electing officers for the ensuing six months. Those elected were Mr. James Lipscomb, president; Mr. W. W. Lowry, first vice-president; Miss Laura Stanley, second vice-president; Miss Emma Purdy, third vice-president; Mr. W. E. Grant, secretary; Mr. J. B. Bianton, treasurer; Mrs. W. W. Lowry, organist; Mr. J. W. Parsons, chorister; Mr. Willie Jackson, fbrarlan.

THE BOARD OF TRADE. officers for the ensuing six months. Those

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THE BOARD OF TRADE.

The Manchester Board of Trade, since its organization, has considered a number of plans for the furthering of the city's business interests. A Committee on New Business, which was appointed by the board, recommended that letters be written to the cotton manufacturers of New Engand, setting forth the many advantages of Manchester as a manufacturing centre. As is well known, the mills of the New England States have been shutting down and going into the far shutting down and going into the far South in order to get cheaper labor than could be procured in the North. Labor can be procured in Manchester just as cheap, if not cheaper, than in the cities further South. Then, again, a great many of these companies, which go down South to establish their factories, have to use steam power, which is very expensive; whereas Manchester possesses an inexhaustible water-power, which can be used to as great advantage as that of any city in the United States. This city has also excellent railroad shipping facilities, and a wharf could be easily constructed on the south side of the James, which would give Manchester cheaper rates for freight could be procured in the North, Labor give Manchester cheaper rates for freight by water.

It is thought by some of the members of the Board of Trade, with whom the Times' representative has talked, that a history of Manchester, a description of the place, and her many advantages as a business centre, be altogether published

dushess centre, be altogether published in pamphiet form, and be mailed to business houses North and South as an advertising medium. The advertiser might contain prices of labor, transportation, water-power, land insurance, etc.

Members of the board also think that it would be a good move to establish wholesale houses here, and also a first-class hotel. Who says the Foard of Trade is not about to enter Manchester into a is not about to enter Manchester into is not about to enter Manchester into a new era of prosperous business activity? It has only been about two months since the scheme of organizing such a business organization was first placed before the public through these columns.

BY-LAWS ALMOST READY.

At the second meeting of the board, beld on April 7th, an excellent staff of officers were elected, which has been already published, and a large number of members were elected, making in all about

bers were elected, making in all about one hundred. At the meeting on next Tuesday the by-laws, which are being printed, will be distributed among the members, after which the duties of the members, after which the duties of the various committees will be understood, and they can go more actively to work planning their schemes, which will be re-ferred to the Executive Committee to approve and materialize.

Manchester expects to realize great

benefits from the exertions of this grand business organization which is com-posed of influential merchants and pro-fessional men.

resident men.

FUNERAL OF MRS. HUDGINS.

The funeral of Mrs. Matha Ann Hudgins, whose death occurred Thursday afternoon at her home, on the Petersburg turnpfke, took place at 4 o'cick yesterday afternoon from Fifth-Street Methodist church, and her remains will be interred in Maury Cemetery. Mrs. Hudgins was a widow. She leaves several children.

Mr. Henry C. Beattle has sold his beautiful suburban home, "Dundee," situated at Forest-Hill Park, to Governor O'Ferrall. "Dundee" is one of the prettest homes in the State. The grouse contains seventeen rooms, five large halls, with all modern heating appliances, a perfect sewerage system, and gas from colar to attle. The transfer.

with all modern heating appliances, a perfect sewcrage system, and gas from cellar to attle. The interior of the building is thintshed in natural woods, and there is a apring sixty feet from the house with a capacity of from 10,000 to 15,000 gallons per day. It is thought that the Governor will reside there when his term of other explicit.

the Governor will reside there when his term of office expires.

Beverly Bentley, the little negro boy who was arrested Thursday night by a vigitance committee, and taken to the station-house, appeared before the Mayor yesterday morning, and was committed to jail until a home could be found for him.

TO START A BROOM FACTORY.

It is said that Messrs. John Moles and Aaron Chaikiey will in the near future start a broom-factory not far from Manchester, on the Petersburg road.

PERSONALS AND BRIEFS.

At the regular meeting of Joseph E.

At the regular meeting of Joseph E. Johnston Camp. Confederate Veterane, Mr. A. F. Putler was elected adjutant or the camp vice K. Knorr, resigned. Mr. William Puckett was elected a member of

ty, is the guest of Mrs. Hill, corner of Tenth and Perry streets.

Mr. R. F. Deadmon, who operates a feather renevating establishment here, was called to his home, in Petersburg, yesterday. His residence had been consumed by fire last night, and his family harely escaped with their lives.

At a meeting of Manchester Council, Jr. O. U. A. M., heid Thursday might, four applications for membership were

four applications for membership were JEFFERSON TO HEAD THE CAST. The home of Mrs. David Walke was

the scene of a pleasant social gathering Thursday night. Misses Maggie and Lavinia Vaden have

gone to Danville on a visit to friends.

MISS BANCKER A SUCCESS.

'Comedy and Tragedy' and "Our Flat,"

Especially the Former, Well Received,
Judged from the severest critical standing, Miss Emily Bancker is an artist as versatide as she is daring. It is claimed by some that she is an exponent of the refined farce comedy school, and this is more or less true, for she is a perfect comedienne in her own individual way, but Miss Bancker has made a departure and entered the school of drama. Her genius in this field promises even greater success for her than she has won in the sensoi of comedy, which is much. Miss Bancker is peculiarly adapted for tragedy possessing all those native qualities that are so necessary to secure intense gramatic effects.

She can laugh with the lightness of a Russeil, and in the next minute breather forth the hatred of a Hernhardt; in fact, there is some similarity between Bernhardt's and Miss Bancker's styles of acting.

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Last night at the Academy Miss Bancker presented "Cur Flat," with a one-act and aman, entitled "Comedy and Tragedy," as a curtain-raiser. "Our Flat" proved the same laughable success it has always been, but from a critical standpoint A is not to be compared with "Comedy and Tragedy," which is a short but intense drama.

In Our Flat" we have Miss Bancker as the refreshing comedienne, and in the consideration. The very fact that Miss Bancker interprets the schools of comedy and drama at the same performance is in self a high endorsement of her genius.

Our Flat" and "Comdey and Tragedy" will be repeated at the matine to-day, and the engagement will close with the performance to-night.

WILLIAM H. CRANE.

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Wm. H. Crane comes to the Mozart Academy of Music on the 22d instant, for an engagement of four nights and a matinee, and during his stay will make known two of his new plays. The play with which he has selected to open his engagement is "The Governor of Kentucky," a comedy illustrative of Southern iffe and manners. It had a most prospe-rous run in New York, and won much favor elsewhere.

Franklin Fyles, a literary man of much ability, is the author of the play, and he made the character of the Governor he made the character of the Governor one that is in admirable keeping with Mr. Crane's breezy methods. The Governor is a straightfoward, honest politician, a friend to be proud of and an enemy to be feared. All of the scenes in the play are laid in Frankfort, Ky., and the characters are said to be skilfully drawn. The second new play, "His Wife's Father," will be offered on Thursday night, and will be repeated at the Saturday wath will be repeated at the Saturday mati-

For fourteen weeks this play ran in New York last season, and during the early fall it commanded attention for a month in Chicago. The play treats of domestic life, is humorous, but underneath its veneering of wit is a very bright lesson to those who look between the lines. On Friday night "The Seuator" will be revived, and on Saturday night the engagement will conclude with another presentation of "The Governor of Kentucky," All three plays will be pre-Kentucky." All three plays will be pre-sented by one of the best companies Mr.

#### PUBLIC NIGHT SCHOOLS,

celving Prizes.

The night schools connected with the public schools of the city of Richmond were closed for the session on Thursday

night at 8 o'clock, Hon, J. Taylor Ellyson and Superin-tendent Fox attended the Leigh night school, and after some very appropriate iemarks by Mr. Ellyson and Mr. Fox, the prizes were presented, as follows: First prize, Henry Poehler; second prize, Frank Asher; third prize, Ernest Gibbs. Mrs. Maggie V. Michaels is principal of this school, and Miss Susie V. Tresnon, as-

Nicholson night schools, and made ap-propriate remarks at each school. He then awarded the prizes at Springfield school as follows: First prize, Clarkson Parrish; second prize, Rufus Hobson; third prize Erlwin Parrish; fourth prize, George Adams: lifth prize, Thomas Grigg. Miss Helen Hall is principal of Springfield school, with Miss Irene Valentine as as-

holson night school, under Mr. S. O. Nicholson night school, under Mr. S. O. Perkins, had only been in operation since February, hence no prizes were given, but the following pupils received high recommendation: Frank Throckmorton, Stephen Loving, John Kuester, and John Robert

The night schools, although not as largely attended as the board wishes, have been very successful in giving great satisfaction, and are highly appreciated by a class of worthy boys, who would otherwise grow up in ignorance.

# A CONFICT ESCAPES.

Speaks Off From the Juderson Davis Man.

One of the convicts employed at the Jefferson Davis mansion made his escape yesterday.

Six men under Guard J. C. Dickman were at work around the building, and in some way one of them escaped. Su-perintendent Lynn, with several guards and the entire police force of the city, are on the watch, and the man will no doubt be captured.

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The convict's name is Jerry Scott. He is a negro, and was sent to the penitentiary from Moutgomery county. He is twenty-seven years old, dark skin, five feet seven and three-quarter inches high, and weighs about 150 pounds. He has a scar on the left side of the head, and a large scar on the right leg below the knee, and two years on the left less. knee, and two scars on the left leg.

# Tack in Her Nose,

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A very delicate but successful operation was performed by Dr. H. H. Levy
Thursday in the removal of a large
carpet tack from the left nostril of the
nose of the three-year-old daughter of
Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Woody, who reside
on Church Hell. It is thought that the
child placed the tack in her nose some
months sko, but it was only until within
the last few weeks that Mrs. Woody discovered any symptoms leading her to
suspect her daughter's nose seriously affected. The tack had worked its way
far up into the nostra and became rusted.
The little girl appears to suffer neither
pain nor inconvenience from the operation.

# Increasing the Camp :.

"The coming Confederate rennion," said Captain Thomas Ellett yesterday, "will from present indications have the effect of largely increasing the number of veteran camps now represented in the Grand Camp. New camps are being formed everywhere, a number of new veteran organizations have recently been chartered, and I would not be surprised to see the number of camps doubled within the next few months."

# Three Prisoners Executed.

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HAVANA, April 17.—Three prisoners named Borges Hernandez and Baccalao, were shot at Cabanas fortress this merning. The executions were public. The doomed men knelt, facing the main wall of the fortress with their backs toward the troops. All three fell forward at the first volley, but two of them were not instantly killed, and received single shots. The prisoners met death bravely. Two of them were colored and one white. The men were taken prisoners in the action at Candelaria.

THE "RIVALS" UP TO DATE.

A Sciendid Revival of Sheridan's Master-

Mrs. Drew, Julia Marlowe-Taber and Other Favorites to Appear-Past Productions Com-

pared.

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SPRINGFIELD, MASS. March 21.—
Richard Brinsley Sheridan himself never
dreamed of such a cast and such a production of "The Rivals" as will be given
in this city on the 4th of May next, and
thereafter for 25 days in the chief towns
of the country.

of the country.

Suppose, for instance, Sheridan should compare the original cast of the piece as it was brought out at Covent Garden, fresh from the author's pen, with the all-star cast of 1806, this is what he would

phia, Baltimore, Washington, Pittsburg, Louisville, Cincinnati, St. Louis, Chicago, Milwaukee, Indianapolis, Grand Rapids, Toledo, Detroit, Columbus, Cleveland, Buffalo, Rochester, Syracuse, Utica, Albanyt, Boston, Worcester and Providence—a journey incredible to Sheridan through towns whose names, even, he never heard—in a luxurious special train of palace cars with every convenience, for living on board, And they will carry costumes and scenery, devised by Mr. Jefferson, which will make the spook of the last contury actor-manager groan last century actor-manager groan with envy.

with envy.

Sheridan ought to be a favorite in the United States, if there's gratitude in republics. "The Rivais" was produced just before the outbreak of the Revolution, at about the time when he was composing a defense of the American colonists against the Johnson's renderous. "Taxation no. Dr. Johnson's ponderous "Taxation no Tyranny." The reply did no good, as it was never published, but we can afford by this time to take the will for the deed. was just after Clinch's service in saving "The Rivais" that Sheridan wrote, out of gratifude to that actor, the farce of "St. Patrick's Day." for which the coming war furnished such "gags" as this: "Oh, barbarous! To want a husband that may wed you to-day and be sent the Lord knows where before night; then in a twelvemonth, perhaps, to have him come like a Colossus, with one log at New York and the other at Chelsea hospital."

phia, Baltimore, Washington, Pittsburg, Dryden's "Palamon and Arcyte." Where

Dryden's "Palamon and Arcyte," Where Chaucer got it doesn't matter.

The 1882 production of Davenant's "The Rivais" was historically more interesting than the Covent Garden play of Sheridan. For one thing, Betterton appeared in it. So did Mary Davis who played Celia or Celania "singing several wild and mad songs-'My lodging is on the celd ground, etc.' She performed that so charmingly, that not long after it raised her from her bed on the cold ground to a bed royal."

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Mrs. Moll Davis did in fact become one of King Charles favorites in Nell Gwynn's time, and their semi-royal daughter Mary, taking the name Tudor, became the Lady Mary Tudor, Countess of Derwentwater. Thus early did the stage furnish beautiful countesses.

In the earlier version of "The Rivals" the combatants are represented as equally brave and urging in deeds of courtesy. Sheridan borrowed nothing but the name, unless, indeed, his comedy was conceived as a sort of parody or comic turn of the earlier play. At any rate, it is far super-

#### How Buffy Stole a Jail.

This is the narrative of Duffy's theft

the car, an' I was lookin' about fer a pry whin I heard a train comin'. Me intillict was equal to the emergency. I took the gyard's lantern an' flagged the train, which was of the way freight species, the hardest of all fer a tourist to travel under. The train stopped an' the conductor says kind o' impedint like: 'What'n'il d'je shtop this train fer?' 'Me friend,' says I, 'this car is bound fer Tiffia. O, an' me instructions was to shtop yez an' hitch it on to yer train.' He grumbled a good deal, but hitched the car on, me hangin' to the brake beam. It was along about 3 o'clock in the mornin' when we crossed the Ohio loine an' shtopped at a station. I crawled out, an' shtopped at a station. I crawled out broke open the jall door wid a couplin pin, an' all me laddybucks came forth free as the air. An' that's how I stole the jail in Indianny. My, but I'm dry." Kansas City Star.

THE EXPOSITION GROUNDS.

Mr. Lorraine's Improvements Will Not

In conformity with the wishes of those In conformity with the wishes of those who have charge of the approaching Confederate reunion, Mr. H. Lee Lorraine, the lessee of the Exposition Grounds, will not press any of the improvements which he is making there with the exception of the bicycle track, which will be pushed to completion with all possible haste. It is hoped that there will be a series of class B races in June. One of the special attractions in the bicycle line will be the night races by electric light, which have become so popular in the North, but which are as yet

Covent Garden, Springfield,
Character. Jan 17, 175. May 4.
Sir A. Absolute. Mr. Shuter ...Mr. Crans
Capt. Absolute. Mr. Woodward Mr. Taber
Falkland. ...Mr. Lewis ...Mr. J. Holiand

The Mew York and the other at Chelsea hospital."

The Liberty boys of Golden Hill had already taught the Britons one name in American geography.

The costuming of the forthcoming of the forthcoming of the strength of the prisoners therein. Air. Duffy, from the core of the nation's intellect; balloonist, manfish, tourist, and orator, had found a friend who had indused him to the extent of the following items, to-wit: Three drinks, one sup-RICHARD BRINSLEY SHERIDAN. JOSEPH JEFFERSON

> JULIA MARLOWE TABER FRANCIS WILSON WM. H. CRANE MRS JOHN DREW

Bob Acres .....Mr. Quick Mr. Jefferson O'Trigger Mr. Lee Mr. Goodwin
Fog Mr. Lewes Mr. E. M. Holland
David Mr. Dunstal Mr. Wilson
Mr. Malaprop Mrs. Green Mrs. John Drew
Lydia Languish Miss Barsanti Mrs. Taber

NAT C. GOODWIN

There were clever artists in the cast that created "The Rivals," but it can hardly be said that any of them left one of the great names of the English stage of the great names of the English stage as one or two of the 1896 cast are pretty sure to do, we moderns think. Indeed, the Covent Garden production was a failure, chiefly owing to Mr. Lee's bad acting, but when Mr. Clinch was substituted and the acting version was cut down the play became very popular. A month later it was being performed in Bath, before the most fashionable audiences of the day, with an entirely new cast in which, however, we still fail to recognize any of the great names of dramatic history.

It is curious to note that in Sheridan's cast the part of Acres came half way down the list of the male actors. The genius of Jefferson has, in the minds of American audiences at least, placed dear old Bob at the top of the company.

old Bob at the top of the company.

The actors who first produced Sheridan's play had to travel from point to point by stage coach. When the rude conveyance stuck in the mud, the men must get out, beruffled as they were, and walk beside it or even help the laboring wheels out of the mire. The 1895 cast will travel through Hartford, New Haven, New York and Brooklyn, Philadel-

"The Rivais" will the a pretty faithful reproduction of that in 1775. Costuming proper was in those days an art almost unknown. Garrick, who played Hamler in a bob wig and broad tailed coat, was a contemporary of Sheridan. But as "The Rivals" was practically a play of the period, the dress worn was that of the fine ladies and gentlemen of the day. perhaps a trifle exaggerated for comic effect. What it was, and what it will be in the Jefferson revival, is indicated by quotations from Sheridan's own writing. Mrs. Malaprop's conflure will be-

Then, behind, all my hair is done up in a plat
And, so like a cornet's, tucked under my
hat.

and the men's bravery as fine as when

The Campus Martius of St. James street, Where the beau's cavalry pace to and fro Before they take the field in Rotten Row.

There being nothing new under the sun, "The Rivais" is of course more than Ill years old. Under that name was enacted by "the Duke of Yorke's servants" more than 200 years ago, a comedy adopted by Sir William Davenant or D'avenant or D'avenant, from an earlier play, "Two Noble Kinsmen," incorrectly attributed to Shakespeare and Fletcher, which was in turn taken from Chaucer's "Knight's Tale," the parent stock also of the outside.

per, one cigar. This story was his pay-ment therefor. He unbuttoned his vest, for he had consumed a large, thick steak, two dishes of potatoes, two platefuls of bread, two cups of coffee, three large, heavy flannel cakes, and a glass of milk. "Thrue oratory and me gintlemaniy instincts often lead me into pleasant fields and the company of conjunial com-

instincts often lead me into pleasant fields and the company of conjanial companions," he began. "I oncet committed most shameful larcenny in the State of Indianny. I was tourin' with a friend, an' we had journeyed as far as Jay county. Now ye can't tell me that the people of a county with such a name can cope with a set of brains from Boston. We had reached the town of Portland. Me friend committed the indiscretion of becoming hungry an' was arrested. I brought me intiliet to bear upon the sitooatlon, an' kept well fed an' free. Now, Portland was the county sate, an' the jail had recently been burned to the ground. The Sheriff therefore kep his prisoners in a box car down on the rail-road thrack, the same bein' loaned by a conservative company, the which didn't want the prisoners beatin' their way on its trains. Me friend was dumped into this jail; me an' me intillict stayed on the outside.

"I agitated me thinker all day, and by nightfall had planned the deliverance of me friend an his follow incarcerates. At supper toime the gyard went away home leavin' his lantern by the thrack side. It was me intintion to pry the door off

quite a novelty down South, sir. John P. Judge, representing the General Electric Company, of Baitimore, was in the city yesterday and had a conference with Mr. Lorraine in reference to the establishment of an electric light plant at the grounds.

It is Mr. Lorraine's intention to gradually work the grounds into a massive amusement park, which will offer all the advantages which a city of this size and population should have. To this end the grounds will be suitably laid off, clubhouses erected, base-ball grounds arranged, and various forms of amusement exhibition booked. When the park is once fairly established, spectacular entertainments, such as Paine's Paris and Pompell and other similar organizations will make regular stands here just as in north-

# THE MADE-TO-ORDER HA, HA.

The Presidential Aspirants are Practicing Their Campaign Laughs.

SENATOR HILL LAUGHS UP HIS SLEEY.

Ex-Speaker Crisp a Hearty, Whole-Souled Laugher\_Gorman's Formal Expression of Mouth-Secretary Carlisle Has a Dick Deadeve Laugh. Reed's Jolly Notes.

(Copyright, 1896, for The Times.) In a political canvass many qualifica-tions are necessary if the candidate for the popular favor is to make a favorable mayoration.

impression.

Of all these, none is more requisite to success than the ability to laugh heartily, to laugh long and to laugh at any and every opportunity where laughter can be judiciously interpolated.

Personal impressions in a presidential

The laugh of Secretary Carlisle would do for the model of the Dick Deadeys laugh in "Pinarore." It is as cold and hard as the dollars in the Treasury, for which he is responsible. Carlisle laughs when he is nervous, when you would expect him to cry. He laughs at beggars a cold, hard laugh, while he is getting the pennies out of his pockets, it could be construed to be a cynical laugh or even a repreachful laugh, but it could not by any stretch of imagination be called a merry laugh. Yet it is a good laugh.

If a dignified laugh is wanted for any special occasion, Carlisle should be sent for post haste, for his laugh is the acmoof dignity.

Senator Davis, of Minnesota, would almost lead one to believe that he had stu-

The Veterans to Attend,

In reply to a cordial invitation from the ladies of the Oakwood Memorial Association, extended to the veterans of Leo Camp Soldiers' Home to attend the usual Memorial-Day exercises, Mr. Charles Bigger, commander of the Home, has sent a courteous reply accepting the invitation. The association will, as usual, provide conveyances for the veterans.

The Sons of the American Revolution will hold their next meeting at the Westmoreland Club next Monday evening at 8:15 o'clock, and not to-night, as previously announced.